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STEM CELL POPULATIONS IN
MAMMALS

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AMENDMENT

This Amendment responds to the Office Action dated 27 August 2002 (Paper No. 17) in the patent application referenced above.

The Applicants appreciate the Examiner's indication that claims 1-5, 7, 8, 10, 11, 18-24, 26-30, 51-53, 69, and 71-82 are in condition for allowance. The Applicants note that claim 77 (from which claims 78, 79, 81, and 82 depend) currently depends from presently-rejected claim 25, and understand the Examiner's indication that the claims are in condition for allowance to depend upon correction of this informality.

Please amend the application as follows.

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 25, 75, 77, 82, 86, 87, 90, 97, and 100 to read follows. A "Marked-Up Copy of Claims Amended" is enclosed, wherein text added to the claims is underlined and text deleted from the claims is ~~struck through~~. For the Examiner's convenience, the Applicants have also enclosed a "Clean Copy of Claims, as Amended" in which all of the pending claims are listed in an order that the Applicants believe would be appropriate for issue.

Please amend claims 25, 75, 77, 82, 86, 87, 90, 97, and 100 to read follows.